

CHICAGO AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
POLICY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION
Number 03-09

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2030 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN
FOR NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee of the Chicago Area Transportation Study (CATS) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for northeastern Illinois, designated by the Governor and northeastern Illinois local officials as being responsible, together with the state of Illinois and public transportation operators, for carrying out the provision of 23 U.S. Code 134 and 49 U.S. Code 5303-06 for six counties in northeastern Illinois and parts of Kendall County; and

WHEREAS, as the MPO, CATS is required to prepare a fiscally constrained, long-range surface transportation plan; and

WHEREAS, CATS through the conduct of a continuing, comprehensive and coordinated transportation planning process consistent with metropolitan transportation planning rules, has prepared the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan (2030 RTP); and

WHEREAS, the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC) prepared the socioeconomic growth forecast scenario for 2030 for use in the 2030 RTP; and

WHEREAS, the 2030 RTP includes recommendations for regional transportation strategies, strategic guidance for transportation agencies and major capital recommendations intended to meet the needs of the region's growth and

WHEREAS, the 2030 RTP recognizes the high priority of maintaining our existing transportation system in the short-term as well as long-term; and

WHEREAS, the 2030 RTP recognizes that there are many unmet regional transportation system needs and that additional funds are necessary to meet these needs, and

WHEREAS, the 2030 RTP conforms to the purposes of the State Implementation Plan (SIP) and Sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506{c} and {d}); and

WHEREAS, public comment has been received and considered by the Policy Committee and consultation has been carried out with federal, state and local agencies; both according to the procedures outlined in 23 CFR Part 450 and 40 CFR Part 51.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Policy Committee approves the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan as the official transportation plan for the metropolitan area;


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, efforts should be made to see that the regional strategies, strategic guidance and major capital recommendations in the 2030 RTP are pursued and implemented consistent with the state goals and objectives of the 2030 RTP; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Policy Committee believes that the region should continue to pursue increased funding for transportation improvements in northeastern Illinois; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Secretary of the Policy Committee is hereby authorized and directed to transmit certified copies of this resolution and document to the Governor of Illinois and, through the Illinois Department of Transportation, to the Division Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration and the Regional Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration.

The above and foregoing Resolution is hereby adopted this 9th day of October 2003.

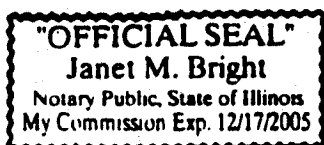

Timothy W. Martin
Chairman, CATS Policy Committee

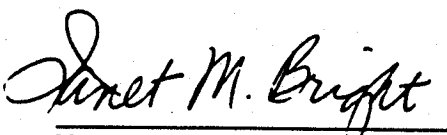

Aristide E. Biciunas
Secretary, CATS Policy Committee

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF COOK)

I, Joy M. Schaad, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution consisting of two typewritten pages is a true and correct xerographic copy of the original Resolution adopted by the Policy Committee on October 9, 2003.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 9th day of October, 2003.




Notary Public